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SUBJECT: MBFR: DATA FOR PUBLIC USE

1. WE AGREE ON URGENT NEED FOR OVERALL FIGURES FOR USE WITH PRESS BY ALLIANCE SPOKESMEN OCT. 30, AND FOR EVENTUAL USE WITH THE EAST. THEY SHOULD CONSIST OF OVERALL NATO AND PACT GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL IN THE GUIDELINES AREA, U.S. AND SOVIET GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL IN THE AREA, AND OVERALL NATO AND PACT MEDIUM AND HEAVY TANKS IN ACTIVE UNITS. APPROXIMATE U.S. ESTIMATES FOR THE NGA ARE:

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NATO GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL 777,000

WARSAW PACT GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL	925,000
U.S. GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL	194,000
SOVIET GROUND FORCE PERSONNEL	460,000
NATO MEDIUM AND HEAVY TANKS	6,000
IN UNITS	
WARSAW PACT MEDIUM AND HEAVY TANKS	15,600
IN UNITS	

2. IN USING FIGURES WITH PRESS, YOU MAY ASCRIBE THEM TO LATEST COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW IN PREPARATION FOR MBFR NEGOTIATIONS.

3. WE ARE REVIEWING YOUR REQUEST FOR STORED TANK FIGURES AND NATIONAL BREAKOUTS OF MANPOWER AND EQUIPMENT.

4. FOR VIENNA: YOU SHOULD PRESENT THESE FIGURES TO AD HOC GROUP AND SEEK AGREEMENT ON THEIR UNIFORM USE BY DELEGATIONS.

5. FOR USNATO: YOU SHOULD SUPPORT RAPID ALLIED AGREEMENT TO USE OF THESE FIGURES. KISSINGER

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